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Mr R Campion

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Our ref: FOI 07/4260: (LC)

Dear Mr Campion:

I refer to your application under section 17 of the *NSW Freedom of Information (FOI) Act, 1989* for access to documents concerning the North Coast Children's Home, in particular who had the Control License for the period 1950 to 1960.

Regrettably I have been advised that no records relevant to the period 1952 to 1960 have been located. It is possible that additional records may be held by the Child & Adolescent Specialist Programs & Accommodation (CASPA), formerly the North Coast Children's Home. Requests for access to these records should be addressed to:

CASPA
PO Box 780
Lismore NSW 2480

In searching for documents relating to your application I have located a licensing file in the name of North Coast Children's Home – Part file to February 1952. From these records it appears that the license for this home for the period up 1952 was held by the Church of England. I have extracted documents from this file and determined them under your application in the hope they may be of assistance to you.

This letter and the accompanying schedule form the determination of your application.

I have carefully considered your FOI application in light of the objects of the *FOI Act 1989* to extend as far as practicable the right of the public to obtain access to information. I was also required to consider the provisions of Section 25 of the Act that allows an agency to refuse access to certain documents.

Today I have determined which documents relating to your application can be released to you. I have released some documents to you in full. However, after carefully considering the other documents, I cannot give you access to part of the other documents. The schedule included in this determination list the documents provided in part and refer to the relevant sections of the *FOI Act 1989* under which access has been refused. Schedule A lists documents exempted in part.